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Docket No. 243045US3 CIP
 IN RE APPLICATION OF: Norihiro AZE, et al.
 SERIAL NO: 10/664,920
 FILED: September 22, 2003
 FOR: METHOD FOR EVALUATING FIXING MEMBER AND FIXING BELT AND THERMAL FIXING ROLLER

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SIR:
 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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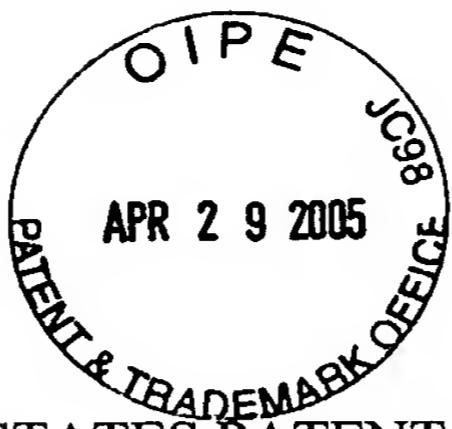
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated February 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.

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